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UK

Press Freedom and the Law

Summary

- Recent UK experience
- Power and Influence
- Privacy and Public Interest
- Boundaries
- Legality and Responsibility
- Regulation

Recent UK Experience

- Rupert Murdoch, NewsCorp
- Illegal 'phone hacking'
- Crisis of confidence:
 - institutions
 - law
 - regulation

Power and Influence

- Political - Media – Police
- Financial power
- Access to law
- Political manipulation

Privacy and 'Public Interest'

- 'Superinjunctions', for the rich
- Privacy: rights and privileges
- Public interest, or what interests the public?

Changing Boundaries

- Legal jurisdiction and protection
 - Geography
 - Technology
 - Internet, social media, Twitter
 - Arab Spring, Tsunami, Bin Laden
- New legal boundaries

Legality and Responsibility

- MP expenses
- Wikileaks
- Illegal sources, stolen documents
- Justification?
- Definition?

Regulation

- Geography
- Self-regulation?
- Government regulation?
- Independent regulation?
- 'Fit and Proper' persons

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